

IPASA 2023 CLIMATE CHANGE INITIATIVE



Climate Change Engagement Workshop 1

*An introduction to the 2023 IPASA Climate Change Initiative and
how philanthropies can advance their climate lens*

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Agenda

1. Introduction and welcome 5 min
2. Overview of IPASA 2023 Climate Change Initiative and Workshop 1 5 min
3. Ice breaker 5 min
4. Climate change risks, opportunities and their intersectionality with guest speaker Makoma Lekalakala 30 min
5. Applying a climate change lens to your work: an overview of good practice guidance 45 min

Workshop protocols



It is an interactive session so feel free to submit questions or comments you may have using the chat function. We will also pause after certain sections to address any questions



If you have any technical issues, please let us know so we can try and assist



The workshop deck and recording will be shared with you after the session



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1. Introduction and welcome

The IPASA 2023 Climate Change Initiative aims to expand on the successes of previous years engagements

Looking back: the 2021 and 2022 IPASA Initiatives

Over the past two years, the **IPASA Climate Change Initiative** has focused on:

1. Building awareness among members of the risks of **climate change and how it relates** to their mandates/missions (intersectionality)
2. Supporting members in their **climate change response journeys** by encouraging them to apply a climate change lens to the projects they fund and their own strategies.

Looking forward: the 2023 IPASA Climate Change Initiative

The **2023 Climate Change Initiative** will build on the success of the previous two years by unpacking what a **climate change lens** is and what action entails. To this end, the focus will be to advance members' awareness and understanding of applying and acting on three key elements of a "climate lens":

1. **Climate change mitigation**
2. **Climate adaptation and resilience**
3. **A Just Transition**

This will be done through **online engagements** (via workshops and one-on-one consultations) and by **updating the Climate Change Toolkit and Resource Pack**.



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2. Overview of IPASA 2023 Climate Change Initiative

The 2023 Initiative will enhance members' awareness of climate change and how they can apply the 'climate lens'



Provide an overview of climate change and transition **risks, opportunities and their intersectionality** with social challenges in South Africa



Improve awareness of **how philanthropies can apply a climate lens to their work**, including:

- The WINGS 7 pillars for philanthropy climate action
- The IPASA Climate Change Toolkit
- Good practice frameworks for supporting the three pillars of climate action (mitigation, adaptation, just transition)



Unpack **how a climate lens might apply to different philanthropies in different contexts**, using relevant examples to shed light on potential climate risks and opportunities for taking action

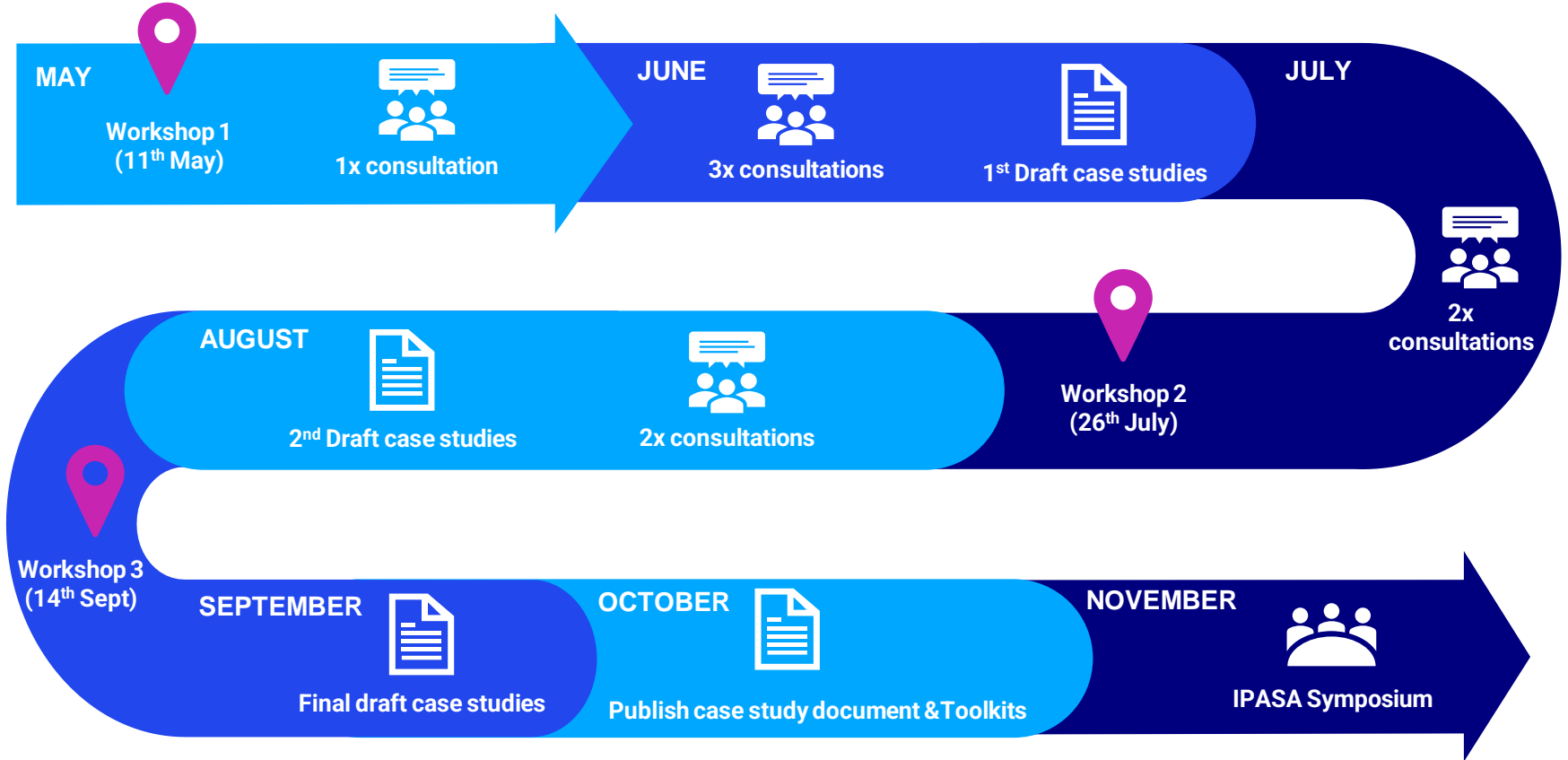


Promote use of **WINGS and IPASA guidance** for climate action by philanthropies



Share **experiences and knowledge**, while fostering **collaboration**

The initiative will lead into the IPASA Symposium in November, with a lot of stakeholder engagement along the way





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3. Ice breaker – we want to hear from you

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when you think about
climate change and your
organisation's work?**

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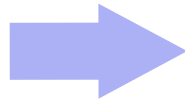


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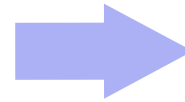
4. Climate change risks, opportunities and their intersectionality

Human-induced climate change is leading to a multitude of adverse impacts on the natural world and society

Increased GHG emissions from: fossil fuel energy systems, land-use change, food systems



Biophysical climate change risks: flooding, droughts, severe storms, sea level rise, ecosystem degradation, extreme temperatures, disease spread



Socio-economic impacts: food and water insecurity; social injustice; public health impacts; jobs and livelihoods; migration and social unrest



Makoma Lekalakala






Q&A



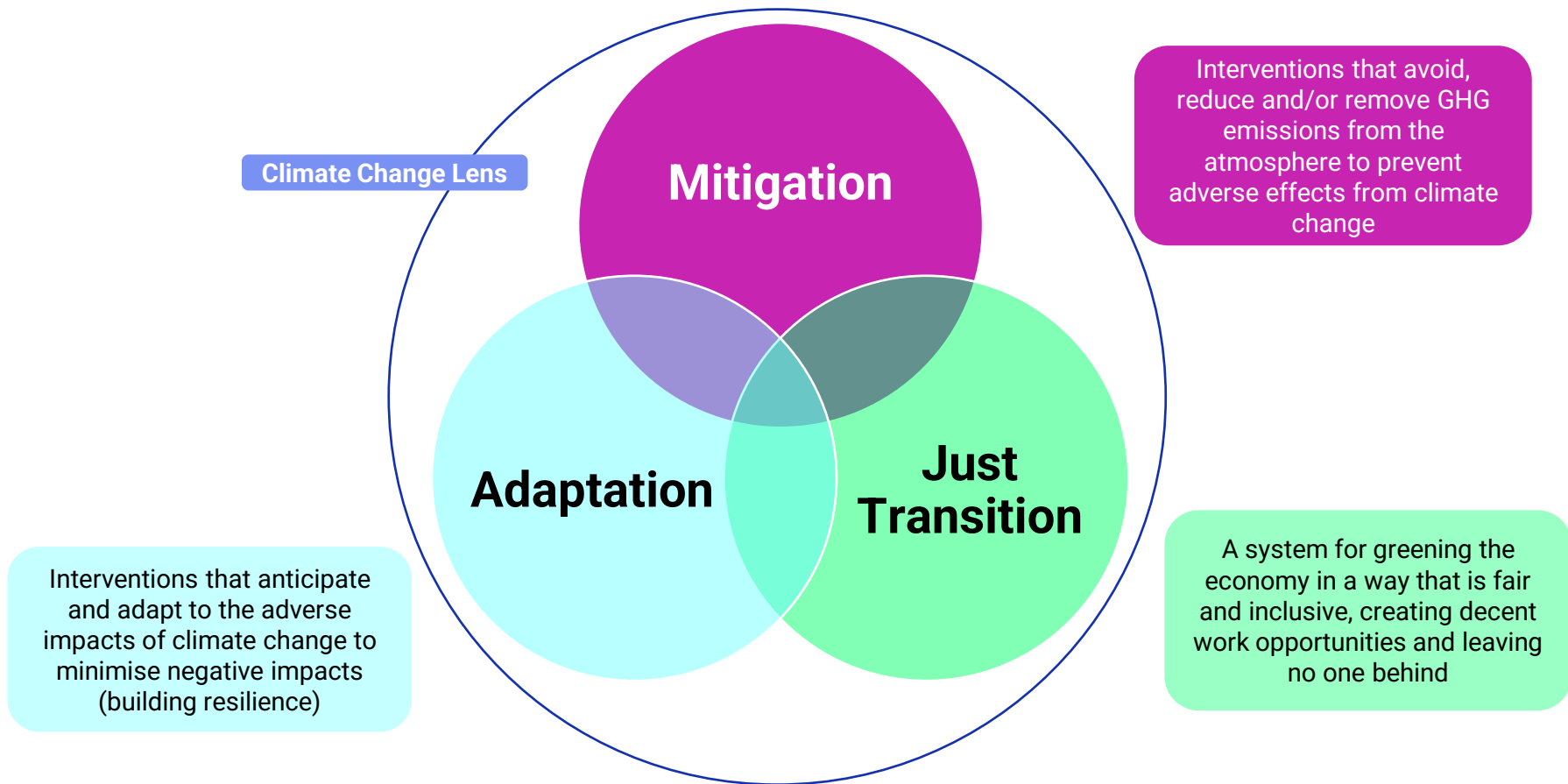
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5. Applying a climate change lens to your work: an overview of good practice guidance

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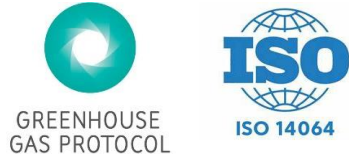
5.1. The three pillars of your climate lens / climate action

Mitigation, adaptation and the Just Transition comprise the three interrelated pillars of the Climate Change Lens

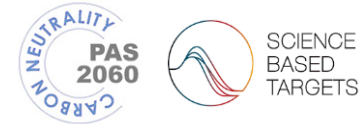


The three pillars of the climate change lens can be effectively managed using various good practice guidance frameworks

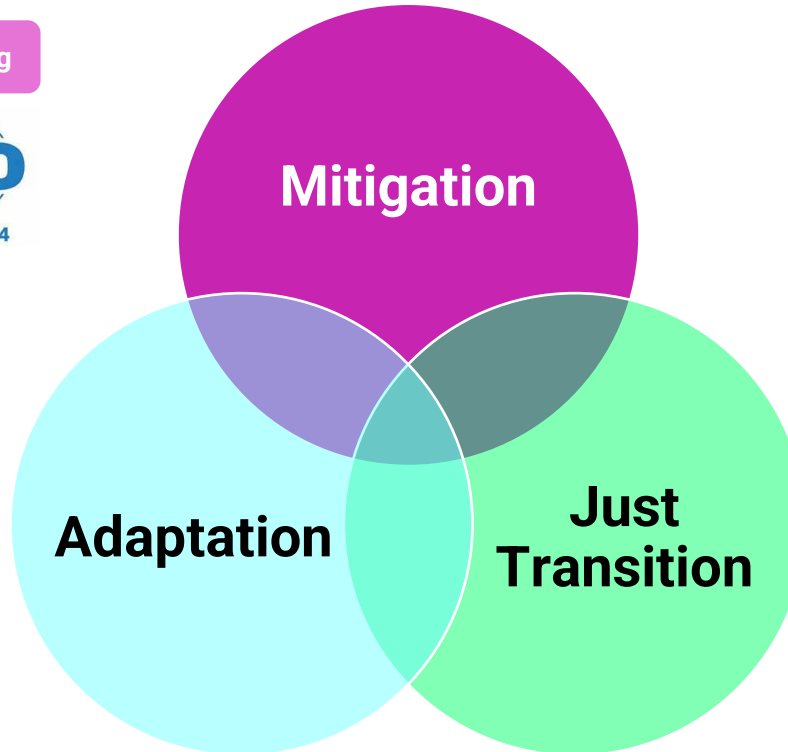
Emissions Accounting



Target Setting



Climate Risk Methodology



Just Transition Frameworks



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5.2. Active Philanthropy’s “Spotlight on Climate Funding Strategies”

Active Philanthropy offers guidance on 10 strategies to start engaging in “climate philanthropy”

Influencing



1. Strategic Litigation



2. Political Advocacy



3. Public Engagement

Empowering



4. Direct Support



5. Communication



6. Grassroots Support



7. Networks



8. Capacity Building

Innovating



9. Research and Development



10. Capital

Influencing can take place through strategic litigation, political advocacy, and public engagement



Strategies for empowerment include direct and grassroots support, communication, and network and capacity building

Empowering



Direct support

Supporting action directly on the ground (in a given locality) e.g. humanitarian aid, expenses for local ecosystem protection, building schools



Communication

Sharing information and making it accessible, building narratives, shaping social norms and values



Grassroots support

Empowering marginalised groups, movement building, civil disobedience, bottom-up initiatives



Networks

Exchanging knowledge and best practices, building coalitions, creating consensus, strengthening infrastructure for closer collaboration



Capacity building

Education, vocational training, transferable skills, peer exchange

Innovating focuses on promoting research and development, and providing capital





5.3. The WINGS 7 pillars to support climate action

The *WINGS* International Philanthropy Commitment on Climate Change is a call to all foundations to take climate action



Before signing

- No preparation required
- Just a willingness to act
- Think about how climate impacts your mission
- What are others doing and what can you learn from them?



Decision to sign

- Signing needs to be taken to most senior level (e.g., board members)
- Signing commits your organisation to taking climate action
























Organising implementation

- After signing, think about your operations and consult the Implementation Guide
- How to start is up to you, based on your priorities and capacity

The *WINGS Implementation Guide* provides seven pillars to support your climate action, no matter your “climate maturity”



Implementation Guide’s seven pillars to support climate action

Showing Leadership (Level Three)							
Building Momentum (Level Two)							
Getting Started (Level One)							
	Pillar One Education and Learning	Pillar Two Commitment of Resources	Pillar Three Integration	Pillar Four Endowments and Assets	Pillar Five Operations	Pillar Six Influencing and Advocacy	Pillar Seven Transparency

Pillars One-Three focus on education and learning, commitment of resources, and integration



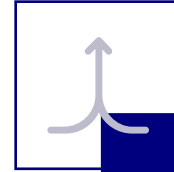
Pillar 1: Education and learning

- Ensure stakeholders are **informed** about the causes, impacts and solutions of climate change, and the implications for our work.
- We can't assume that everyone already knows what needs to be done. We need to **build up the climate literacy** of our organisations and partners if we are to take effective action.



Pillar 2: Commitment of Resources

- Commit resources to **accelerate work that addresses the root causes of climate change or adaptation to its impacts.**
- Addressing climate change needs large scale, urgent action – replacing fossil fuels with renewable energy, and towards more sustainable management of land.



Pillar 3: Integration

- In designing and implementing programmes, opportunities to **contribute to a fair an lasting transition** to net zero should be sought. *This should include adaptation to the effects of climate change, particularly for vulnerable communities*

Pillars Four and Five focus on endowments and assets, and your own operations



Pillar 4: Endowment and Assets

- Climate change should be considered **in relation to the source and management of operational and endowed funds**. Investment strategies should be aligned to a rapid and just transition to a net zero economy
- Philanthropic organisations must show leadership in shifting the financial system to cleaner approaches



Pillar 5: Operations

- **Ambitious action to minimise climate impacts of a philanthropy's own operations** must be taken, which may include changes in travel, building use, and procurement.
- Getting one's house in order is essential to maintain integrity when working with others on climate change

Pillars Six and Seven focus on influencing and Advocacy, and Transparency



Pillar 6: Influencing and Advocacy

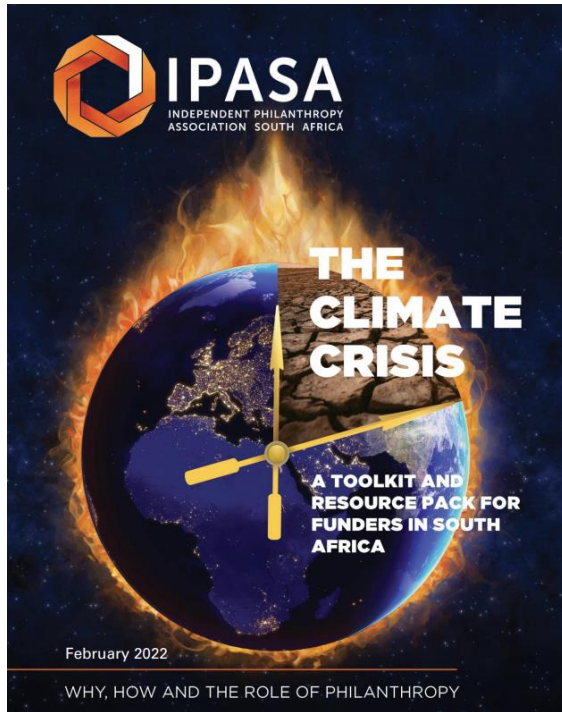
- Opportunities to work with others and **amplify the voices of frontline communities** should be sought, and encouragement and support for more ambitious climate action by stakeholders, partners and audiences is needed.
- Climate change is a systemic issue that requires **collaboration and cooperation**, basics on established scientific evidence.



Pillar 7: Transparency

- Information related to actions taken against the six pillars should be collected and published annually to **show progress and areas for improvement.**
- By sharing information, signatories can help each other to work more effectively to address the scale and urgency of the climate crisis.
- **Transparency provides additional incentive to deliver on commitments.**

The IPASA Climate Crisis Toolkit can equip philanthropies in starting their climate journeys and in taking climate action



- ✓ Provides useful, accessible and carefully curated resources to support philanthropies in understanding the climate crisis, and how they can take climate action in a way that doesn't over burden them
- ✓ Resources include useful articles, tools, videos, websites and podcasts relating to climate change and role of philanthropies in addressing it.
- ✓ Accommodates philanthropies no matter where they are in their climate journeys and has adapted its approach to suit the contexts of the global south.
- ✓ The Toolkit and resource pack will be updated this year, incorporating learnings from this year's engagements and good practice developments

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